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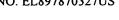
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For

NEURAL NETWORK BASED METHOD FOR EXPONENT

CODING IN A TRANSFORM CODER FOR HIGH QUALITY

**AUDIO** 

Art Unit

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## **PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please amend claims 1-40 to read as follows:

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1. (Amended) A method for processing data in an audio data encoder, the data including a sequence of exponent sets each comprising a plurality of exponents, the method comprising the steps of:

determining a first variation of exponent values within a first exponent set;

determining a second variation of exponent values between said first exponent set and each subsequent exponent set in said sequence; and

assigning an exponent coding strategy to the first exponent set based on the determined first and second variations.

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